

Michael F. Easley Governor

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GOV. EASLEY REAPPOINTS BRITT AND APPOINTS BAZEMORE AND MORRIS TO PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN

Raleigh - Gov. Mike Easley has reappointed Fordham Baldridge Britt of Lumberton and has appointed P. E. Bazemore of Monroe and Charles C. Morris of Linden to the North Carolina Partnership for Children.

Britt is director of advocacy, operations and outreach for Children's Health of Carolina. She is chair of the Robeson Center for Child and Family Health. Britt is a member of the Robeson Community College Advisory Board for Early Childhood Education and is a member of both the North Carolina and national Medical Group Management Association. She was named N.C. Child Advocate of the Year in 1995 by the N.C. Child Advocacy Institute and was nominated for the 2001 Glaxo Smith-Kline Individual Recognition Award. Britt received a Bachelor's degree in sociology and studio art from Salem College.

Bazemore is mayor pro tempore of the City of Monroe. He is a member of Union Smart Start, Union County Community Action and the N.C. Community Development Initiative. Bazemore was named Union County Man of Year in 2001. He received a Bachelor's degree from Hampton University in Hampton, Va.

Morris is president of Morris Colyer & Associates in Fayetteville. He is a former member of the Partnership for Children of Cumberland County and current member of the Cumberland County Planning Board. Morris received a Bachelor's degree in psychology from Methodist University.

The board ensures that all children have access to high quality early childhood education and development services, develops a comprehensive, long-range strategic plan for early childhood development and provides, through public and private means, high quality early childhood education and development services for children and families. The board has 26 members, each serving a three-year term. The governor appoints 13 members. The Senate President Pro Tempore and the Speaker of the House each appoint three members. The House Majority and Minority Leaders and the Senate Majority and Minority Leaders each appoint one member. The secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, the superintendent of Public Instruction and the president of the N.C. Community College System also serve on the board.